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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H. *Jonathan E. Fielding, MD*
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A NOTICE OF AWARD FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND THE HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on June 6, 2012, to accept future awards from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that are consistent with the requirements of Notice of Award (NA) 5U90TP000516-01, that extend the term through June 30, 2017, at amounts to be determined by the CDC, estimated not to exceed \$35,000,000 per grant term, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept CDC NA Number 5U90TP000516-02 for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, in the amount of 1) \$29,013,752 in financial assistance, comprised of \$19,026,355 for Public Health Emergency Preparedness (\$15,875,213 Base and \$3,151,142 Cities Readiness Initiative) and \$9,987,397 for the Hospital Preparedness Program; and 2) \$24,537 in Direct Assistance to support personnel and associated costs of the CDC Career Epidemiologist Field Officer or Public Health Advisor that will be assigned to Los Angeles County.

The July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 financial assistance is distributed as follows:

- **Base award of \$15,875,213:** These funds will support the Department of Public Health's (DPH) preparedness and response efforts to upgrade, integrate, and evaluate preparedness and response capabilities to address public health emergencies including acts of terrorism; infectious disease outbreaks, including influenza pandemics; food-borne disease outbreaks and other food security issues; natural disasters; and biological, chemical, nuclear, and radiological threats. Funding will support personnel costs, services, and supplies associated with emergency response activities related to CDC-developed public health capabilities including community preparedness and recovery, surveillance and epidemiological investigation, laboratory testing, information sharing, and emergency operations coordination. A portion of these funds, \$705,612, has been restricted, pending receipt by CDC of additional information requested in the NA, due to CDC by August 15, 2013.
- **Cities Readiness Initiative of \$3,151,142:** These funds will continue to support medical countermeasure dispensing and medical material management and distribution capabilities as

well as volunteer management related to all-hazards events including the ability to respond to catastrophic public health emergencies such as large-scale biological attacks. Activities will include establishing medication dispensing sites for the delivery of vaccine and/or antibiotics to the public, distributing medical supplies to hospitals and clinics, and managing medical volunteers.

- **Hospital Preparedness Program award of \$9,987,397:** These funds will enable the Department of Health Services' Emergency Medical Services Agency to continue to improve healthcare system capacity and enhance community and hospital preparedness for public health and medical emergencies. Activities will include enhancing hospital and healthcare system planning and response; integrating public/private sector medical planning and assets to increase preparedness; and improving local hospital infrastructures to help hospitals and healthcare systems prepare for public emergencies. A portion of these funds, \$476,656, has been restricted, pending receipt by CDC of additional information requested in the NA, due to CDC by August 15, 2013.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the CDC's NA 5U90TP000516-02 as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
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Director of Health Services